

BEFORE THE
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

MODIFICATION OF MAIL CLASSIFICATION SCHEDULE
REGARDING COMBINED MAILINGS
OF STANDARD MAIL AND PERIODICALS

Docket No. MC2011-5

NOTICE OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE OF
CLASSIFICATION CHANGE RELATED TO
COMBINED MAILINGS OF STANDARD MAIL AND PERIODICALS
(November 5, 2010)

Pursuant to 39 C.F.R. §§ 3020.90 and 3020.91, the United States Postal Service hereby gives notice of a change in classification established by the Governors. The change indicates that, when bundles or containers contain both Standard Mail and Periodicals pieces, the Periodicals bundle and container prices apply based on the proportion of Periodicals pieces in bundles or weight in the container. Specifically, mailers using the Mixed Class preparation option may combine Standard Mail and Periodicals mailpieces within the same bundle (comail), or combine separate same-class bundles on the same pallet (copalletize), to maximize presorting or to qualify for deeper destination entry discounts. The changes provide a fair price application for Mixed Class mailings of Standard Mail and Periodicals.

The Postal Service hereby submits to the Commission conforming changes in the Mail Classification Schedule, as shown in the following pages. The Postal Service believes that the changes are consistent with 39 U.S.C. § 3642 and should be incorporated by the Commission into the MCS.

Respectfully submitted,

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Edits to Mail Classification Schedule

1300 Periodicals

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1310 Outside County Periodicals

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1310.4 Price Categories

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Bundle Rate

The bundle rate applies to all Outside-County mail prepared in bundles. The rate paid for a bundle depends on the presort level of container holding the bundle. For bundles containing both Periodicals and Standard Mail pieces, the bundle rate is multiplied by the proportion of pieces in the bundle that are Periodicals pieces. Firm bundles have all pieces destined for one address. The following price categories are available for the product specified in this section:

- Firm (bundle level)
Carrier Route/5-Digit, 3-Digit/SFC, ADC, Mixed ADC container levels.
- Carrier Route (bundle level)
Carrier Route/5-Digit, 3-Digit/SFC, ADC container levels.
- 5-Digit (bundle level)
3-Digit/SFC, ADC, Mixed ADC container levels.
- 3-Digit/SCF (bundle level)
3-Digit/SFC, ADC, Mixed ADC container levels.
- ADC (bundle level)
ADC, Mixed ADC container levels.
- Mixed ADC (bundle level)
Mixed ADC container level.

Container Rate

The container rate applies to all Outside-County mail prepared in trays, sacks, pallets, or other containers. For containers containing both Periodicals and Standard Mail pieces, the container rate is multiplied by the proportion of weight on the container contributed by the Periodicals pieces. The following price categories are available for the product specified in this section:

a. Pallet Container Rate

- 5-Digit

DDU, DSCF, DADC, DBMC, Origin entry levels.

- 3-Digit/SCF
DSCF, DADC, DBMC, Origin entry levels.
 - ADC
DADC, DBMC, Origin entry levels.
- b. Sack and Tray Container Rate
- Carrier Route/5-Digit
DDU, DSCF, DADC, DBMC, Origin entry levels.
 - 3-Digit/SCF
DSCF, DADC, DBMC, Origin entry levels.
 - ADC
DADC, DBMC, Origin entry levels.
 - Mixed ADC
Origin entry level.